

2025

2nd DeSTE Connect Conference



Call for Abstracts

CONFERENCE DETAILS

Date: 08-12 September 2025

THEME

From Visions to Action: Pioneering Science, Technology, ICT and Education for Sustainability

VENUE

Badplaas, A forever Resort

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

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**Deadline for Abstract Submissions:
23 May 2025**

SUB-THEMES

We expect papers reflecting (but not limited) to the following subthemes:

1. Reimagining Science Education in a Digital Era
2. Fostering Sustainability through STEM Education
3. Integrating Indigenous and Global Perspectives in Science Learning
4. Advancing Equity and Accessibility in Technology Education
5. Fostering Resilience through Climate Action
6. Current trends and innovation in Education for sustainability
7. Innovations in Life Sciences, Agricultural Sciences, and ICT Education
8. Transformative Trends Shaping Teaching and Learning
9. Education in the 21st Century
10. Teacher Education

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

The conference abstract should be between 150 and 250 words including the author’s name, affiliation, e-mail address of the corresponding author, and a maximum of 6 keywords written in MS Word document.

Submit the abstract to this email: desteconference@unisa.ac.za

PAPER SUBMISSION

Publications opportunities to be communicated to authors.

MODE OF PRESENTATION

The conference will be held at a physical venue, and registered participants will be provided with details such as the venue address and any necessary logistics for presenting. Each presentation is scheduled for a duration of 15 minutes, with an additional 5 minutes allocated for questions and answers.

IMPORTANT DATES

- Due date for submission of conference abstracts: **23 May 2025**
- Notification for acceptance of abstract: **26 June 2025**
- Early Bird conference registration: **31 July 2025**
- Registration deadline: **20 August 2025**
- Conference date: **08 - 12 September 2025**

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Registration fee	Bank Details
Delegates: R 18,000.00 Postgraduate students: R 8,000.00 (Registration include: Transport; accommodation; activities & catering) Please e-mail proof of payment to desteconference@unisa.ac.za An official invoice will be emailed to you to confirm your successful registration. No refund after payment but you are welcome to send a representative to present your paper	Bank: First National Bank Account Name: UNISA Income Account Branch code: 250645 Account Number: 62799625200 Account Type: Cheque Branch Name: Sunny Park Swift Code: FIRNZAJJ Deposit reference: 8395X/1155X Surname and Initials (Example. 8395X/1155X Smith AR)

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